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CELEBRATE EARTH DAY

On April 22 people around the world will celebrate the environment with Earth Day as they have since the first one in 1970. What can we as individuals do to better care for our environment and ensure its health for future generations? There are many simple actions by which consumers can reduce pollution daily. Here are a few:

- **Reduce driving time.** Cars are big contributors to air pollution so consider carpooling, biking, walking and using mass transit. Buy an energy-efficient car and keep the engine well tuned.
- **Be careful with auto waste.** Take used oil, auto batteries and antifreeze to an auto supply store that accepts them or trade the old items in when you buy new ones. Check www.Earth911.org to find a recycling center in your area that accepts such products. Turn old tires in to the dealer when you buy new ones.
- **Be an environmental consumer:**
 - Look for the recycling symbol on products you buy. The symbol identifies recyclable products and sometimes products that have been recycled.
 - Carry your own reusable shopping bags.
 - Use reusable mugs, glasses, dishes, cloth towels and sponges instead of disposable products.
 - Encourage your community and school to recycle.
 - Maintain and repair products.
 - Buy rechargeable batteries for flashlights, toys and household tools and equipment.
 - Use compact fluorescent light bulbs. They use about one-fourth the energy and last about 10 times as long as incandescent bulbs.
- **Limit household hazardous waste.** Avoid buying products with toxic ingredients. When it's unavoidable, buy only as much as needed.
- **Buy ENERGY STAR products.** As the symbol for energy efficiency, the ENERGY STAR label identifies highly efficient products, homes and commercial buildings.
- **Plant trees and shrubs in your yard.** Trees may reduce heating and cooling costs and curb soil erosion. Be sure to compost leaves, grass and brush clippings and limit the use of fertilizer.
- **Donate gently used items to thrift stores or use the Freecycle Network at www.freecycle.org.**
- **Finally – remember and practice the hierarchy of Reduce, Reuse and Recycle.**

CLOSING THE LOOP

Office Depot has a Green Book catalog that contains nearly 2,500 environmentally preferable products. Available items include paper, pens, energy-efficient computer displays, printers and light bulbs, toner cartridges, biodegradable packing materials and cleaning supplies. The catalog itself is printed on 100 percent post-consumer recycled content paper. Buying products with recycled content is as important as recycling in the first place. Contract customers of Office Depot can get a catalog by calling 888-2-OFFICE. Other companies or agencies that are not yet contract customers may order the catalog by visiting www.officedepot.com/environment.

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Prices are based on trailer load lots paid by end-users. This guide is for reference only and does not represent an obligation by any buyer to pay these amounts. Prices vary according to location, condition of product and other factors. Prices for handlers and processors will be different from these prices which are quoted for manufacturers. Prices fluctuate daily or weekly, and are based on the second week of the month, unless otherwise noted, and may change.

Paper	\$ per ton		<u>Previous month</u>	<u>Previous Year</u>
Mixed Paper	60-65	Board and Mill purchase prices, baled, FOB seller's dock. From April 2, Official Board Markets Yellow Sheet, Chicago market.	60-65	60-65
Sorted Office	100-110		105-115	100-110
Newsprint #6	55-60		55-60	60-65
Newsprint #8	80-85		85-90	85-90
Sorted White Ledger	180-190		180-190	175-185
Corrugated Containers	75-80		75-80	85-90
Plastics	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>From market sources serving Kentucky, contacted April 12. Baled, FOB seller's dock. Priced as loads available.</i>		
Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET-soda bottles)	20	clear and green (mixed)	18	15
High Density Polyethylene (HDPE-milk jugs) #2	29	natural	27	21
Glass	<u>\$ per ton</u>			
Clear	29	<i>From April 8, Recycling Manager, national average for truckload quantities, semi-crushed and cleaned, delivered to end-user.</i>	29	29
Amber	17		17	17
Green	9		9	9
Metals	<u>Cents per lb.</u>	<i>Aluminum from market sources serving Kentucky, contacted April 11.</i>		
Aluminum cans	75	densified, baled truckload, picked up	73	63
	<u>\$ per gross ton</u>	<i>Steel from American Metal Market, April 12, 2005. Delivered mill price; Chicago market quoted.</i>		
Steel Cans	200	Clean, used densified cans	175	220